

# "LOOKING 'EM OVER"

With Mike Callas Jr.  
MUST UNLOAD LOOT

Everytime some cash-loaded individuals have a few dollars to fritter away, they look to the sports world for an investment in hopes to increase their bank balances.

In this particular instance, the following wish to inform the general public that they are backing a baseball team called "The Los Angeles Stars" in the new Continental League—Mark Scott, Stanley Brown, Jack Webb (of 'Dragnet' fame), Dean Martin (the singer and actor, no less), Chuck Connors ("Rifleman," of course), Tom Duggan (TV's gift to the stay-up-er-laters) and Frank Moreland.

This combine of "business men," in a press conference last week, announced that they must unload some five million dollars to support the "Stars" and operate the franchise in Los Angeles. They reasoned that the Dodgers found plenty of gold here and that their team would get rich too—no matter how long or how much cash had to be poured in.

Scott, spokesman for the group, mumbled something about competition being good for everyone and that he had approached Mr. O'Malley of the Dodgers for permission to infringe on Walter's territorial rights and whether or not he and his men could use the stadium at Chavez Ravine for their "ball games."

It is reported that O'Malley told Scott that he would rather have an American League team play in his park than the one proposed by the Hollywood radio man.

With this there was no other information forthcoming for the edification of baseball fans to properly analyze the situation.

## NOT ENOUGH TOP CALIBER AROUND

Some time ago we wrote that we felt that the new American Football League would succeed despite the doom forecast by the majority.

It was our contention that Los Angeles could and would support two top pro teams, mainly, if for no other reason, because football teams do not need to support farm clubs in order to develop top stars. The multitude of colleges all over this big country do that chore absolutely free—no money needed from pro businessmen.

Now were the Continental League to actually begin play, just where do you think the players would come from? Branch Rickey, elected Commissioner of this new baseball league, and other proponents argued that there are many top stars around from which to form their nucleus. However, they forgot to tell us "the where from."

From what I can ascertain the players must come from the present group of major leaguers and from the minor leagues.

During the past baseball season I asked many of the club owners of National League teams how many men were on their squads that rated the "major leaguer" title. The average came to 15, 10 short of their player roster of 25. In other words, not one of the clubs carried a full line of top caliber men.

## CITIES WILL NOT SUPPORT

With this fact in mind, how is it possible that anyone would feel that they had a chance of continuing play? Do they think that baseball fans would shell out good money to see mediocre minor leaguers and left over major league old timers?

Apparently they believe that Los Angeles and other cities in the Continental loop are so starved for baseball that they would definitely pay the cash for inferior play regardless of the title given their ball players.

I do not believe the fans will be duped. In 1958 Angelenos supported the Dodgers because they waited so long for major league ball and also because Brooklyn had a recent history of winning pennants. In '59 they gathered to the Coliseum to see a pennant contender in action. Were the Dodgers fighting for a second division berth I doubt sincerely that they would have pulled much more than a million to their games.

## O'MALLEY VERY CLEVER

"Der Walter" as we all know by now, is a cagey one who bears watching. His reply to Scott, that he would rather have an American League club in Chavez Ravine, should have stilled the embryonic minds of the "Stars" combine. O'Malley knows competition is trying to get to "his" cash customers, but is clever enough to realize that the "Stars" would go broke a heck of a lot sooner than an American League club.

After all, why should the Dodger prey wait and wait for the rent when all he has to do is sit back and collect on time from a proven major league club. Might as well make money from a competitor instead of supporting a loser.

Looking at the background of these backers of the Los Angeles Stars, one would imagine that they have learned to hold onto their cabbage.

In this business venture I don't believe this holds true to form.

# TORRANCE IN 13-0 WIN COUGARS NOD NORTH Tartars Over B. Hills It's Hawthorne 15-6

By John Whitacre, Press Scholastic Reporter

Recovering from their loss to South High last week, the Tartars from Torrance High took on the Normans from Beverly Hills Friday afternoon at the latter's field and won handily 13-0.

With a patched-up line Kas-ten's eleven, minus the services of star fullback Joe Montgomery, took the opening kick-off and went 70 yards in eight plays for the first score. Howard Taylor carried for the last 30 around left end with Stewart missing the conversion.

The afternoon game witnessed several fumbles that were attributed to the chilly weather. Early in the second quarter the Tartars drove for five straight first downs behind the fine running of halfback Mike Irvine and Jerry McLean only to have the attack stalled by a fumble on the Normans' 15 yard line.

Playing an unusually alert game, end Cliff Wiemer intercepted a Beverly Hills pass and ran 25 yards for the Tartars' second score with just two sec-

onds remaining in the first half. Stewart's conversion was good and Torrance pushed ahead 13-0.

In the second half, after a succession of fumbles by both teams, the Normans threaten to score but once. Late in the fourth quarter Norman quarterback Roger Rhoads' pass, long 45 yard aerial, intended for end Ray Warren was intercepted by Howard Taylor who rambled for 50 yards before he was bought down.

The Torrance victory was the fourth in five tries and next week the Tartars will face Aviation in their annual homecoming game at Torrance High Stadium.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Torrance 6 7 0 0-13  
Bev. Hills 0 0 0 0-0

Torrance scoring: Taylor and Wiemer. Conversions — Stewart, one.

By Bruce Allyson, Press Scholastic Reporter

Before a capacity crowd of 5000, host Hawthorne High, co-leaders of the Bay League, trounced North High 15-6 Friday night at El Camino college field.

The defeat dropped North into fifth place in the standings with a one and three record in league play this year.

The victors opened up the scoring in the first period on a 20 yard sprint by Fred Ragatz after a desperation fourth down gamble by the Saxons was stopped on North's forty yard line.

Late in the second quarter Shoup's gridders knotted the score by driving 60 yards with quarterback Jack Carothers plunging over center from three yards out for the tally.

Ronnie Petch booted a 23 yard field goal in the third quarter for the Cougars after a 54 yard Hawthorne drive was halted by the Saxons.

Atop the Bay League with a 4-0 record, the Cougars added another touchdown in fourth quarter as Hawthorne quarterback

Mike Wood flipped a short aerial to Jim Reale for the six points. Reale went 70 yards for the score.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Hawthorne 6 0 3 6-15  
North High 0 6 0 0-6

## SCHOLASTIC STANDINGS

PIONEER LEAGUE	
W	L
South High	4
El Segundo	3
Torrance High	1
Aviation	1
Culver City	1
Beverly Hills	1
Lennox	0
RAY LEAGUE	
W	L
Hawthorne	4
Santa Monica	4
Redondo	3
Inglewood	2
North High	1
Morningside	1
Mira Costa	1
Leuzinger	0



BUSY DODGER Larry Sherry, above, and Charlie Neal, both of World Championship Dodger squad, signed autographs for baseball fans yesterday at the sporting goods department of the Broadway Del Amo in Torrance.

# PRESS Sports

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1959

## Claiming Stock Cars Slated to Return to Gardena

Jim Preston, Norwalk will be out for win number two, this afternoon at the Gardena Stadium, when the Claiming Stock Cars return to action in a big ten event program of races over the one-third mile track.

It will be another big Double Header Day, with the Stock Cars in the afternoon and the Gigantic Destruction Derby in the evening. The Destruction Derby which has been seen video-taped over Local TV for the last ten weeks is not being shown only in person. With a big field of 70 cars this Sunday evening at 7 p.m. it will be one of the biggest events of the year. A special team event is carded as an added attraction for the attending fans. Admission for adults is just \$1.75 with Juniors \$1 and kids free. The early starting time is so that fans may leave the stadium early for the benefit of the youngsters.

The afternoon races will begin with time trials at 1 p.m. and the first event at 2:30 p.m. Preston will be looking for win number two, in his Hudson powered car. Other top drivers include: Johnny Jones, Van Nuys; Jerry Faupel, Gardena; Ernie Young, Lakewood, Bob Hogle, Buena Park; LarMar Anderson, Manhattan Beach; Howard Walton, Gardena; Jack Brunner, Gardena; Bob Price, San Fernando; Bing

## RAM FACTS

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Player	Yds.	Ave.	Td.
Offie Matson	85	47.7	5.64
Jon Arnett	38	17.0	5.64
Tom Wilson	18	8.0	4.61
Joe Marconi	17	4.8	2.53
Bill Wade	8	3.3	2.88
Frank Ryan	8	1.6	2.55
Del Shofner	1	6.0	4.00
Totals	178	84.0	47.8

Player	PA	PC	Yds.	Pct.
Bill Wade	110	46	883	.41
Frank Ryan	15	9	92	.60
Jon Arnett	3	1	16	.33
Totals	128	55	991	

Player	No.	Yds.	Ave.	Td.
Del Shofner	19	340	18.95	1
Jim Phillips	17	267	15.70	1
Leon Clarke	12	178	14.83	1
Jon Arnett	12	105	8.75	1
Offie Matson	7	21	3.00	1
Tom Wilson	1	23	6.60	1
Joe Marconi	5	26	5.20	1
Clendon Thomas	7	6	6.00	1
Totals	78	968	12.45	1

Player	No.	Yds.	Ave.	Td.
Ed Meador	3	0	0.00	1
T. Franckhouser	8	8	0.00	1
Bill Jobbo	1	0	0.00	1
Totals	12	8	0.00	1

Player	No.	Yds.	Ave.	Td.
Offie Matson	8	193	24.12	1
Jon Arnett	3	70	23.33	1
Tom Wilson	3	58	19.33	1
Clendon Thomas	1	22	22.00	1
Totals	15	343	32.90	1

Player	No.	Yds.	Ave.
Del Shofner	31	883	42.00
Joe Marconi	1	37	37.00
Totals	32	920	41.44

Player	No.	Yds.	Ave.	Td.
Offie Matson	1	45	4.42	1
Jon Arnett	5	27	5.40	1
Don Burroughs	1	6	6.00	1
Totals	7	78	5.53	1

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## State's Fur Catch Down 22 Per Cent

The catch and value of fur-bearing animals declined 22 percent during the 1958-59 season, compared to the preceding season, the California Department of Fish and Game has announced. This follows a steadily declining trend evident during the last 10 years which has reflected lack of market demand.

The 1959 reports show that only 657 trapping licenses were taken out and only 301 licenses reported that they actually engaged in trapping. Their total catch was 70,000 animals, worth \$71,000. The low total value is attributed to the continued low price paid for muskrat (less than a dollar apiece), which made up 90 percent of the catch.

This is a far cry from the mid-20's, when 6,000 trappers harvested a half million dollars' worth of fur annually.

Now, only mink, otter, and beaver, in the large sizes only, are in any great demand, the Department said.

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